

REMARKS

Claims 1-6, 8-22 and 25-35 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, claims 25-28, 34 and 35 are amended and claims 23 and 24 are canceled without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter recited therein. No new matter is added by these amendments. Reconsideration of the application in view of the above amendments and the following Remarks is respectfully requested.

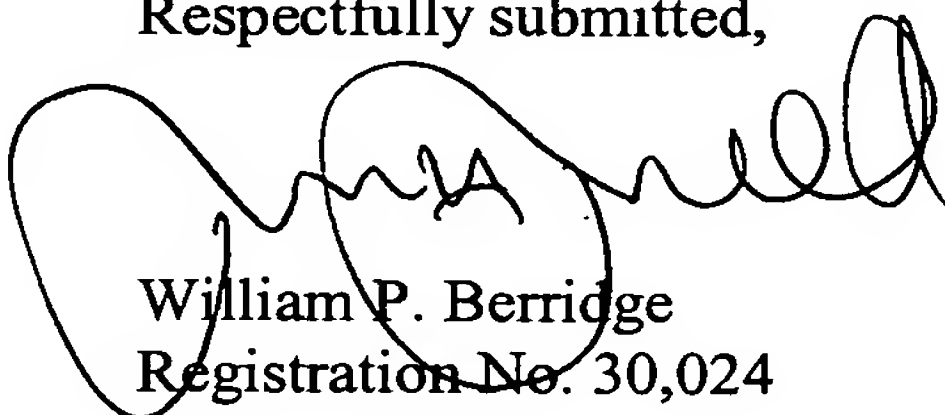
Applicants appreciate the indication that claims 1-6, 8-22 and 31 are allowed.

The Quayle Action objects to claims 23-30 and 32-35 as being in improper dependent form for failing to further limit the subject matter of a previous claim. By this Amendment, claims 23 and 24 are canceled, and thus the objection is moot.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance of the claims are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

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